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Director's Meeting

Thursday, 13 December 1951

25X1 With respect to the Log item relating to an inquiry made by Tod, G-2, on [ ] the DCI indicated that the response given by [ ] was correct. The DCI noted that there had been some consideration given in G-2 of assigning this sensitive work to civilians who were kept on continuously, rather than to soldiers who are there on a rotating basis. The DCI also commented that information as to the identity and location of agents should not even be given to the G-2. 25X1

Mr. Wisner stated that he was having prepared for signature by the DCI an answer to the request by Gen. Bolling that there be a meeting of the Service Intelligence chiefs with the DCI to determine how the covert intelligence effort should be divided. The DCI stated that Mr. Wisner should attend such a meeting on his behalf. He also pointed out that covert intelligence is CIA's field, although it would be perfectly appropriate to request the Services to perform activities for which they have capabilities. It was also commented that such a meeting might stop certain unauthorized activities in this field now being carried on by the Services, particularly [ ] 25X1

25X1 There was a brief discussion of how the services of [ ] might be utilized. [ ] One suggestion was that he would be useful to Truscott but there was some question as to his language capabilities and it was felt that possibly Gen. Bolling could suggest someone there. Another suggestion was that [ ] would be useful in Shef Edwards shop. 25X1

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Mr. Dulles referred to several intelligence items as follows:

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Mr. Dulles brought up a memorandum by Mr. [ ] reporting that Mr. Judd was considering forming a committee to take care of Chinese refugees in this country and stated that Mr. Judd would be in to discuss this matter with Mr. Dulles tomorrow. Mr. Dulles was inclined to steer Mr. Judd off this program, suggesting that [ ] had provision for that in its program. It was agreed that this would be appropriate.

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Mr. Dulles reported on a talk with [ ] respecting [ ] who is being considered as a replacement for Max Millikan. [ ] report was favorable, although he was not certain as to [ ] administrative capabilities. The DCI indicated that the important thing was to find a capable man and one who would be prepared to stay for a substantial time.

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Mr. Dulles referred to a report by Dr. Andrews and Mr. Reber respecting a project to investigate overlapping of CIA publications, which had been referred to at the Assistant Directors' meeting. Mr. Wolf approved. It was agreed that Mr. Dulles and [ ] would discuss this further.

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Mr. Wolf gave a progress report on the figures respecting the turnover of CIA personnel. He noted that as of September the over-all Governmental turnover was 3.6%, while that for CIA was 1.4%. He also noted that for the 6 month period beginning in April 1951, CIA's percentage turnover had been reduced from 12.2% to 8.8%. The DCI indicated that the real questions in which he was interested were why the figure had been so large before and how it might be possible to keep it down to less than 2% in the future. Mr. Wolf indicated that the study on these figures was being continued.

25X1 Mr. [ ] referred to the legislative program but Mr. Wolf wished to defer consideration pending further study. Mr. Dulles commented that it might be desirable to have reporting requirements under the 100 Body Act reduced and there was a brief discussion of this.

In response to a question from Mr. [ ] the DCI indicated that he had not, as yet, phoned Gen. [ ] but he would approve the preparation of a letter for his signature informing Gen. [ ] that his mission was no longer thought desirable. The DCI stated that in his conversation with Gen. [ ] he would indicate that in view of current developments in the [ ] it was felt that it was not advisable to call any further attention to it. 25X1 25X1 25X1

The DCI indicated that he would attend the USCIB meeting on Friday.

The DCI indicated that the matter respecting AFSA had been dealt with satisfactorily at the NSC meeting and that he desired to talk to Mr. Jackson about this as soon as he arrived. This information was passed on to Mr. Jackson's office.

Mr. Dulles reported that [ ] would be in tomorrow and the DCI indicated that he would see Mr. [ ] then. 25X1 25X1

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